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APRIL MEETING

Our April meeting be Saturday 21st at the **PICCADILLY CAFETERIA** 11810 North Dale Mabry, Tampa, Florida at 12:00 Noon. When you arrive go straight to the private room and after opening of the meeting we will adjourn long enough to get in the serving line and select our lunch and return to the meeting room to eat. Each person is responsible for paying for their own meals and leaving a gratuity for the waiter or bus person.

PROGRAM FOR APRIL

The Program will be a brief talk on the book "Flag of Our Fathers" by James Bradley. Mr. Bradley is the son of of one of the soldiers pictured in the famous photo of the flag raising at Iwo Jima. The book gives a wonderful account of the events of the flag raising and pays particular attention to the six soldiers in the photo. The talk will highlight the many interesting stories contained in the book. The program should be of particular interest to our WWII veterans

Also April is the time the chapter presents the SAR ROTC medals to the recipients from the College and High Schools of the area participating the ROTC program. Lets have a good attendance and show our support of these youngsters who have shown outstanding leadership ability.

Minutes of the March 17, 2001 meeting of the Tampa Chapter SAR

President Tetrick called the meeting to order at 12:10. Jim Washburn offered the invocation and Secretary Yarnell led the pledge to the flag and the President Tetrick led the pledge to the SAR.

Members present: Dwight Tetrick, Jim Washburn, Jack Bolen, Jim Chambers, Bob Yarnell, and Kevin Yarnell.

Welcome guests: Janet Tetrick and June Bolen.

The SAR membership approved the minutes of the February meeting as published in the newsletter. The secretary reported on plans to present the ROTC medals to the outstanding high school cadets at the April meeting. With regard to our hosting the summer state Board of Management meeting, the board of governors developed a list of questions that we emailed to the state contact. We are awaiting the answers before moving forward.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,290.23.

President Tetrick read a news release sent via the state president, compatriot Tinny. The state society had presented a flag certificate to a Tampa couple. A short discussion followed concerning which of our own members flies the flag. The president also led a brief discussion on the Liberty Tree project.

The meeting recessed for lunch.

President Tetrick reconvened the meeting and announced that our speaker had cancelled due to the death of a friend. Instead the chapter viewed a video entitled, "Tampa Times" which related the history of Tampa from its founding until the early 1900's.

The 50/50 was won by June Bolen who donated all the proceeds to the treasury. The chapter thus gained \$8.00.

President Tetrick led the recessional and Jim Washburn gave the benediction. The meeting adjourned at 1:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Yarnell
Chapter Secretary

SENIOR ROTC MEDAL



Cadet Cody W. Sprauge of the University of South Florida receives SAR Senior ROTC award from Tamp Chapter by President Dwight Tetrick at the Officers Club at McDill Air Force Base on February 23, 2001.
